made, correct the distortions or weaknesses that may have crept in, maintain a sustained growth in productivity and gainful employment and attain international competitiveness. All sectors of industries whether small, medium, or large belonging to the public,private or cooperative sector will be encouraged to grow and improve on their past performance.

[*Translation*]

Abolition of Contract System in B.H.E.L.

1073. SHRI ARVIND TRIVEDI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to abolish contract system in the Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any decision has been taken in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the time by which a decision is likely to be taken?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI P.K. THUNGON): (a) to (d). BHEL enters into contract with various agencies for the procurement of raw materials/ components,supply of equipment, erection and commissioning service. Besidas, certain jobs which are temporary or of intermittent nature are awarded on works contract basis. As BHEL has to necessarily enter into such contracts for carrying out its operations, there is no proposal to abolish these systems.

[*English*]

Projects of Kerala for Solving drinking Water problem

1074. SHRI THAYIL JOHN ANJALOSE: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of projects submitted by Government of Kerala to the Union Government for approval during 1990-91 and 1991-92 to solve, its drinking water problem;

(b) the number of projects out of them which have been approved and the number of the projects still pending; and

(c) the amount of central grants provided therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI UTTAMBHAI H. PATEL): (a) The Government of Kerala submitted six projects during 1990-91 and twelve projects during 1991-92 to the Government of India for approval to solve its drinking water problem.

(b) The projects submitted during 1990-91 had been approved and the projects submitted during 1991-92 are pending sanction.

(c) The central assistance under the Centrally Sponsored Accelerated Rural Water Supply Programme (ARWSP) is given to the States as per their annual allocation for schemes cleared from time to time.It is not given on project wise basis. The amounts of central grant allocated and released under ARWSP during 1990-91 & 1991-92 for these projects are as under:-

(Rs. in crores)

Year	*Allocation*	*Release*
1990-91	10.76	10.76
1991-92	11.91	5.96

Import of Fertilizers through Alleppey Port, Kerala

1076. SHRI THAYIL JOHN ANJALOSE: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal for importing fertilizers through Alleppey Port in Kerala;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Union Government have also received some representation in this regard; and

(d) if so, the action taken or proposed to be taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (DR. CHINTA MOHAN): (a) to (d). Suggestions have been received from certain sources to handle fertilizer shipments at Alleppey Port. The feasibility of importing fertilizers at this port was also examined. The infrastructure facilities available at the port do not at present permit the handling of the fertilizer cargo at the required rate of discharge.

Extension of Central Investment Subsidy

1077. SHRI K. PRADHANI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have announced the extension of Central Investment Subsidy Scheme for industrialisation of backward areas for the financial year 1991-92; and

(b) if so, the details thereof, including subsidy allocated for the State of Orissa?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (PROF. P.J. KURIEN): (a) and (b). The Central Investment Subsidy Scheme has been discontinued w.e.f. 1.10.1988.

Provision of Houses to People

1078. SHRI PARASRAM BHARDWAJ: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the agencies of the Union Government engaged in providing houses to people;

(b) the number of families provided with housing loans and houses through the various schemes under the Union Government during the Seventh Five Year Plan period;

(c) the amount allotted for housing loans and house construction in the Seventh Five Year Plan;

(d) whether the Government envisage a plan to provide houses for all the people; and

(e) if so, by when?